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SUBJECT: DRAFT REPORT OF SPRING DISARMAMENT EXPERTS'
MEETING

FOR COLLINS

1. FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTED REVISIONS IN DRAFT REPORT OF
SPRING DISARMAMENT EXPERTS' MEETING.

2. PARA 9, REVISE AS FOLLOWS: "THE TURKISH EXPERT SAID
HIS GOVERNMENT HAD INTENDED TO RATIFY THE TREATY ONLY
AFTER ETC. HOWEVER, THE PRESENT INTENTION IS TO RATIFY
BEFORE THE REVIEW CONFERENCE IN 1975."

3. PARA 14, BEGINNING THIRD SENTENCE,REVISE AS FOLLOWS:
"THE UNITED STATES EXPERT SAID HIS AUTHORITIES COULD
SUPPORT THE ADDITION OF PERHAPS THREE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.
HE ENVISAGED A CCD CONSENSUS ON AN ENLARGEMENT SLATE,
WHICH WOULD BE ENDORSED BY THE UNGA, WITH THE SEATING OF
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NEW MEMBERS AT THE FIRST CCD SESSION IN 1975. SOME EXPERTS

EXPRESSED DOUBTS THAT THE ENLARGEMENT WOULD PROCEED WITHOUT PROBLEMS, SINCE MEXICO AND YUGOSLAVIA HAVE SHOWN INTEREST IN LINKING ENLARGEMENT TO A RESTRUCTURING OF THE CCD."

4. DELETE PARA 15 AND INSERT FOLLOWING AT BEGINNING OF PARA 16: "THE U.S. EXPERT STATED THAT HE COULD NOT PREDICT THAT THERE WOULD BE NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN CTB OR CW. HE SAID BROAD STUDIES WERE UNDER WAY IN THE U.S. ON CTB AND CW. THE AMERICAN POSITION ON CTB VERIFICATION REMAINS UNCHANGED."

5. PARA 18, DELETE SECOND SENTENCE AND INSERT: "IT WAS FELT THAT THE COMMITTEE'S COMPETENCE SHOULD NOT EXCEED WHAT HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN AGREED: THE EXAMINATION OF VIEWS OF GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING A WDC."

6. PARA 20, DELETE "NOW" IN FIRST SENTENCE. NEXT TWO SENTENCES SHOULD BE REVISED AND COMBINED AS FOLLOWS: "WHILE THEY HAD ABSTAINED ON THE RESOLUTION IN NEW YORK BECAUSE THEY HAD OBJECTIONS TO THE PREAMBLE, THEY BELIEVED THAT A STUDY OF THE TECHNICAL ISSUES OF BUDGET COMPARABILITY COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMPLEXITIES OF BUDGET REDUCTION AND EXPOSE THE SIMPLISTIC SOVIET APPROACH."

7. PARA 27, BEGINNING WITH THIRD SENTENCE, REVISE AS FOLLOWS: "IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT THE JAPANESE DRAFT TREATY COULD BAN THE MOST LETHAL OF THE NERVE AGENTS; THESE WOULD BE LISTED IN AN ANNEX TO THE DRAFT. ALTERNATIVELY, IT WOULD ALLOW THE RETENTION OF SOME TYPES OF AGENTS, WHICH WOULD BE LISTED IN THE ANNEX. IT PROHIBITS PRODUCTION AND STOCKPILING BUT THERE IS NO TIME SET FOR DESTRUCTION OF STOCKS. IT ENVISAGES AN INTERNATIONAL VERIFICATION AGENCY AND A COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE. VERIFICATION WOULD BE MAINLY BY NATIONAL MEANS, ALTHOUGH NON-OBLIGATORY ON-SITE INSPECTION IS PROVIDED FOR." DELETE FINAL SENTENCE OF PARA.

8. PARA 28, FOURTH SENTENCE BEGINNING "ALSO, STATES",
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CHANGE "WOULD" TO "MIGHT". PARA 29, DELETE "TWO" IN SECOND SENTENCE. PARA 30, DELETE THIRD SENTENCE BEGINNING "HE SAID". IN NEXT

SENTENCE DELETE "LARGE"; AFTER "CW PROGRAMME" ADD "WHICH MIGHT INCLUDE WORK ON BINARIES." NEXT SENTENCE SHOULD READ: "IT WAS DIFFICULT TO SAY HOW LARGE A CW PROGRAMME THE SOVIETS HAD." SISCO

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